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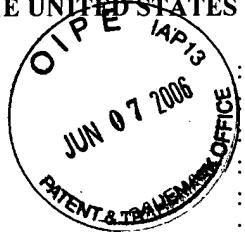
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Fumikane HONJOU, et al.

Application No.: 10/736,783

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For: PLASMA PROCESSING APPARATUS HAVING PROTECTION MEMBERS

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
 Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	19	21	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claims newly presented				\$0.00	
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

The following Amendments and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2006, pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.